Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Original): Residential building with staggered dwellings based on the construction with a building shell and with a design which is characterized by columns and load-bearing beams and bears floor areas and the roof, and with space available, in staggered form, for dwellings with an open plan and a living area which can be adapted to individual requirements for each residential unit, characterized in that a dwelling (1) comprises a single-storey dwelling part (10) and a two-storey dwelling part (11), the surface area (100) of the single-storey dwelling part (10) having at least the surface area F in m² of the surface area (110) of the two-storey dwelling part (11), and the latter comprising an outdoor area (12), which is directed towards the facade, and an indoor area (13).

Claim 2 (Original): Residential building according to Claim 1, characterized in that, in a residential building, the two-storey dwelling parts (11) of all the staggered dwellings (1) have the same surface area (110).

Claim 3 (Original): Residential building according to Claim 1, characterized in that arranged above a single-storey dwelling part (10') with the same living area (100) in each case is the single-storey dwelling part (10) of the residential unit located above.

Claim 4 (Currently amended): Residential building according to Claim 1 Claims 1 and 2, characterized in that the surface area (100) of a residential unit of the single-storey dwelling part (10') can be extended as desired, the dwelling (1) located above having the same surface area (100) for the single-storey dwelling part (10).

Claim 5 (Original): Residential building according to Claim 1, characterized in that, on the ground floor, an open plan and the same ceiling height are provided over the entire surface area.

Claim 6 (Original): Residential building according to Claim 1, characterized in that the lower storeys have an open plan over the entire surface area and the same ceiling height over in each case one storey.

Claim 7 (Currently amended): Residential building according to Claim 1
Claims 1 to 6, characterized in that staggered dwellings are constructed above the lower storeys, which each have the same ceiling height for each storey.